



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: **KOIKE, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2872**

Serial No.: **09/642,883**

Examiner: **A. CHANG**

Filed: **August 22, 2000**

P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 8966

For: **PLANE DIFFRACTION GRATING BASED ON SURFACE NORMAL
ROTATION AND ITS APPLICATION TO AN OPTICAL SYSTEM**

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116
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GROUP ART UNIT 2872

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 September 22, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **March 20, 2003**, extended to **September 20, 2003** by a three-month Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

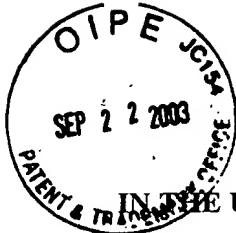
Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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September 22, 2003

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.
The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Small Entity	Large Entity	Additional Fee
Total Claims	12	20	=	0	X \$9	X \$18	0.00
Independent Claims	6	3	=	3	X \$42	X \$84	252.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims					\$140	280	0.00
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED:							252.00

XX Enclosed please find our check in the amount of \$252.00 for the additional claims fee in connection with this amendment.

XX The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment for any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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